

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September



## Curriculum Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

We look forward to welcoming you at our *Open Classrooms* event for Year 1 - 6 later today. Thank you for coming along and for taking such an interest in your child's learning – we appreciate your support.

We would like to remind you that important information for each year group can be found on our school website, under the dedicated *Year Group Pages*. These pages are regularly updated and include details about the curriculum and key information to support your child's learning journey. We will be migrating to a new website (same address) in the coming weeks, but all information is available on the current website and will be moved over on to the new website.

As part of the National Curriculum, all children in Key Stage 2 are required to learn a foreign language. Schools have the flexibility to choose which language to teach, and this year we are excited to introduce Latin. Research shows that learning Latin can give children a strong foundation for understanding modern languages, as many European languages, such as French, Spanish and Italian, are derived from it. In addition, Latin helps pupils to develop their English spelling, vocabulary and grammar skills, as many English words have Latin roots. By studying Latin, children not only meet the curriculum requirements but also build valuable knowledge that will support their wider literacy and language learning in the years ahead. For pupils who have already enjoyed learning French or in Year 3 wish to start learning French we are delighted to confirm that this will be available through our after-school French club. This will allow those who wish to further their language skills to do so in a fun and engaging way.

We are confident that these developments will enrich our curriculum and provide our pupils with a broad, inspiring learning experience. Thank you, as always, for your continued encouragement and partnership.

Kind regards,

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